

Call for submissions for the Prix Versailles 2019

#### Welcome to the call for submissions

The award ceremony for the Prix Versailles, the world architecture award for stores, hotels and restaurants, will be held at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, France, on 12 September 2019.

Entries can be submitted online between now and 11:59 pm CET on 31 January 2019 via www. prix-versailles.com.

Those projects will then be entered in the six continental selection processes: Africa and West Asia – Central America, the South and the Caribbean – North America – Central Asia and the Northeast – South Asia and the Pacific – Europe.

As a reminder, at the end of the continental selection processes, continental Prix Versailles awards and special prizes will be discerned in each of the four categories (Shops & Stores, Shopping Malls, Hotels and Restaurants).

We would like to wish the best of luck to all our contenders and remain at your disposal to answer any questions you may have.

Yours sincerely,

**Jérôme Gouadain**Secretary General of the Prix Versailles



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## Regulations for submissions

In conformity with the regulations set out below, submissions will be received by the Secretariat of the Prix Versailles until 31 January 2019 at midnight Paris (France) time.

They are limited to openings and re-openings, in the event that the work necessitated the complete or partial closure to the public, that have taken place between 1 February 2018 and 31 January 2019, inclusive, of shops & stores, shopping malls, hotels and restaurants with a minimum built surface area of 100 m<sup>2</sup> accessible to the clientele.

Additional calls for submissions for certain types of projects with specific characteristics may be issued during the course of the process. They will be communicated to the applicants in due time.

## ARTICLE 1 - Purpose

The Prix Versailles 2019 (hereafter referred to as "the Prix") comprises a series of awards for the most remarkable commercial structures, from the point of view of both the interior and exterior architecture.

There are four categories within the Prix: Shops & Stores, Shopping Malls, Hotels and Restaurants (hereafter referred to as "the Categories").

Special prizes for 'Interior' and 'Exterior' architecture are attached to each of the Categories.

These awards are manifested in the form of a certificate and a trophy awarded to each winner.

## ARTICLE 2 - Qualification of candidates

Any shop/store, shopping mall, hotel or restaurant with a minimum built surface area of 100 m² accessible to the clientele that has opened or has re-opened (provided the work involved the complete or partial closure to the public) between midnight 31 January 2018 and midnight 31 January 2019, the times referring to the time in Paris (France), may be the subject of a submission at the initiative of the general contractor and/or the project owner.

## ARTICLE 3 - Procedure

There are four steps in the selection process.

#### STEP 1 - SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

Entries can be freely filed, in French or in English, via the online form provided for that purpose (and available at www.prix-versailles.com), between now and 11:59 pm CET on 31 January 2019. Entries must include the following in particular:

- a presentation of the applicant;
- a presentation of the project being submitted (with information about the relevant Category, the physical address, the floor space in  $m^2$  open to clientele, and the date of its opening or reopening to the public);
- the plan or plans that correspond to the space that is the subject of the submission;
- five to ten actual photographs.

At this stage, the total combined size of all the submitted files may not exceed 10 MB per submission (including any plans and photographs). Otherwise, the submission will automatically be rejected.

For submissions receiving a prix or a special prize (STEP 2), five to ten actual photographs, of the highest resolution and freely usable in communications relating to the Prix, will be provided to the Secretariat of the Prix (hereinafter referred to as "the Secretariat") at its request.

If an applicant submits more than one project, each one will require a separate entry.

#### STEP 2 - CONTINENTAL SELECTIONS

Six committees (hereinafter referred to as "the Continental Committees") will examine the submissions and issue consultative decisions, depending on the projects' locations, divided between six regions:

Africa and West Asia – Central America, the South and the Caribbean – North America – Central Asia and the Northeast – South Asia and the Pacific – Europe (hereinafter "the Regions").

The geographic area covered by each of the Continental Committees is set out in the list of States provided in the Annexe.

Of the applications that the Secretariat declares to be receivable, each member of the Continental Committees is to allocate in each Category:

- one, then two, then three points respectively to the structures that they judge to be the third, second and most remarkable, with the interior and exterior architecture being considered as a whole;
- one, then two, then three points respectively to the structures that they judge to be the third, second and most remarkable, relating to the interior architecture;
- one, then two, then three points respectively to the structures that they judge to be the third, second and most remarkable, relating to the exterior architecture.

The Continental Committees will give special attention to projects that have taken a sustainable approach from an ecological, social, and cultural or aesthetic perspective.

The structures must also have an exemplary value to them, from which other interested parties may take inspiration.

For each Category in each Region, a prix and special prizes for Interiors and Exteriors will be awarded to the projects receiving the most points, subject to the final decisions made by the Secretary General of the Prix Versailles.

These choices do not have to be explained.

#### **STEP 3 - WORLD SELECTIONS**

The world judges panel (hereinafter "the World Judges Panel") will examine the entries for the global selection process.

Only projects that received a continental prix or special prize in 2019 will be eligible respectively for the world prix and special prizes.

The 2019 World Judges Panel is made up of a maximum of nine members.

For each Category, each member of the World Judges Panel will assign one, then two, then three points respectively to the winning continental submissions that they find to be the third, second and first most remarkable.

Voting by the general public may also be counted, at the Secretariat's initiative. In that case, the public's votes will be equivalent to four additional World Judges Panel members.

For each of the Categories, the prix and the 'Interior' and 'Exterior' special prizes are to be allocated to the structures that have attracted the maximum number of points.

In the event that the scores are equal for the awarding of a prix or a special prize, the World Judges Panel Chairman's vote shall count twice over for the prix or for the special prize under consideration. The decisions do not have to be explained.

#### STEP 4 - AWARD OF PRIX AND SPECIAL PRIZES

The world prix and special prizes will be awarded to the winners during a ceremony to be held on 12 September 2019 at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, France.

## ARTICLE 4 - Interpretation and appeals

The interpretation of these rules is the sole responsibility of the Secretariat. All award decisions are final and may not be appealed.



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## ANNEXE

## Geographic distribution of States by Region

Afghanistan Central Asia and the Northeast

Albania Europe

Algeria Africa and West Asia

Andorra Europe

Angola Africa and West Asia

Antigua and Barbuda Central America, the South and the Caribbean Argentina Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Armenia Africa and West Asia
Australia South Asia and the Pacific

Austria Europe

Azerbaijan Africa and West Asia

Bahamas Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Bahrain Africa and West Asia
Bangladesh South Asia and the Pacific

Barbados Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Belarus Europe Belgium Europe

Belize Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Benin Africa and West Asia
Bhutan South Asia and the Pacific

Bolivia Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Bosnia and Herzegovina Europe

Botswana Africa and West Asia

Brazil Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Brunei South Asia and the Pacific

Bulgaria Europe

Burkina Faso Africa and West Asia
Burundi Africa and West Asia
Cape Verde Africa and West Asia
Cambodia South Asia and the Pacific
Cameroon Africa and West Asia
Canada North America

Central African Republic Africa and West Asia Chad Africa and West Asia

Chile Central America, the South and the Caribbean

China Central Asia and the Northeast

Colombia Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Comoros Africa and West Asia
Congo Africa and West Asia

Costa Rica Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Côte d'Ivoire Africa and West Asia

Croatia Europe

Cuba Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Cyprus Europe Czech Republic Europe

Democratic Republic of the Congo Africa and West Asia

Denmark Europe

Djibouti Africa and West Asia

Dominica Central America, the South and the Caribbean Dominican Republic Central America, the South and the Caribbean Ecuador Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Egypt Africa and West Asia

El Salvador Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Equatorial Guinea Africa and West Asia
Eritrea Africa and West Asia

Estonia Europe

Ethiopia Africa and West Asia
Fiji South Asia and the Pacific

Finland Europe France Europe

Gabon Africa and West Asia
Gambia Africa and West Asia
Georgia Africa and West Asia

Germany Europe

Ghana Africa and West Asia

Greece Europe

Grenada Central America, the South and the Caribbean Guatemala Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Guinea Africa and West Asia Guinea-Bissau Africa and West Asia

Guyana Central America, the South and the Caribbean Haiti Central America, the South and the Caribbean Honduras Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Hungary Europe Iceland Europe

IndiaSouth Asia and the PacificIndonesiaSouth Asia and the PacificIranAfrica and West AsiaIraqAfrica and West Asia

Ireland Europe

Israel Africa and West Asia

Italy Europe

Jamaica Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Japan Central Asia and the Northeast

Jordan Africa and West Asia

Kazakhstan Central Asia and the Northeast

Kenya Africa and West Asia
Kiribati South Asia and the Pacific
Kuwait Africa and West Asia

Kyrgyzstan Central Asia and the Northeast Laos South Asia and the Pacific

Latvia Europe

Lebanon Africa and West Asia
Lesotho Africa and West Asia
Liberia Africa and West Asia
Libya Africa and West Asia

Liechtenstein Europe Lithuania Europe Luxembourg Europe Macedonia Europe

MadagascarAfrica and West AsiaMalawiAfrica and West AsiaMalaysiaSouth Asia and the PacificMaldivesAfrica and West AsiaMaliAfrica and West Asia

Malta Europe

Marshall Islands
Mauritania
Mauritius
Mexico
South Asia and the Pacific
Africa and West Asia
Africa and West Asia
North America

Micronesia South Asia and the Pacific

Moldova Europe Monaco Europe

Mongolia Central Asia and the Northeast

Montenegro Europe

Morocco Africa and West Asia
Mozambique Africa and West Asia
Myanmar South Asia and the Pacific
Namibia Africa and West Asia
Nauru South Asia and the Pacific
Nepal South Asia and the Pacific

Netherlands Europe

New Zealand South Asia and the Pacific

Nicaragua Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Niger Africa and West Asia
Nigeria Africa and West Asia

North Korea Central Asia and the Northeast

Norway Europe

OmanAfrica and West AsiaPakistanSouth Asia and the PacificPalauSouth Asia and the Pacific

Panama Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Papua New Guinea South Asia and the Pacific

Paraguay Central America, the South and the Caribbean Peru Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Philippines South Asia and the Pacific

Poland Europe Portugal Europe

Qatar Africa and West Asia

Romania Europe Russia Europe

Rwanda Africa and West Asia

Saint Kitts and Nevis

Central America, the South and the Caribbean
Central America, the South and the Caribbean
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Samoa South Asia and the Pacific

San Marino Europe

São Tomé and Príncipe Africa and West Asia Saudi Arabia Africa and West Asia Senegal Africa and West Asia

Serbia Europe

Seychelles Africa and West Asia Sierra Leone Africa and West Asia Singapore South Asia and the Pacific

Slovakia Europe Slovenia Europe

Solomon IslandsSouth Asia and the PacificSomaliaAfrica and West AsiaSouth AfricaAfrica and West Asia

South Korea Central Asia and the Northeast

South Sudan Africa and West Asia

Spain Europe

Sri Lanka South Asia and the Pacific Sudan Africa and West Asia

Suriname Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Swaziland Africa and West Asia

Sweden Europe Switzerland Europe

Syria Africa and West Asia

Tajikistan Central Asia and the Northeast

TanzaniaAfrica and West AsiaThailandSouth Asia and the PacificTimor-LesteSouth Asia and the PacificTogoAfrica and West AsiaTongaSouth Asia and the Pacific

Trinidad and Tobago Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Tunisia Africa and West Asia
Turkey Africa and West Asia

Turkmenistan Central Asia and the Northeast South Asia and the Pacific Uganda Africa and West Asia

Ukraine Europe

United Arab Emirates Africa and West Asia

United Kingdom Europe
United States of America North America

Uruguay Central America, the South and the Caribbean

Uzbekistan Central Asia and the Northeast Vanuatu South Asia and the Pacific

Venezuela Central America, the South and the Caribbean

VietnamSouth Asia and the PacificYemenAfrica and West AsiaZambiaAfrica and West AsiaZimbabweAfrica and West Asia